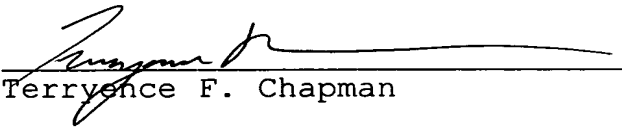


REMARKS

In order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, Claims 3-6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 have been canceled and the dependencies of Claims 7, 9, 11, 13 and 15 have been amended to depend on allowed Claim 17. As such, it is respectfully submitted that all of the currently pending claims contain allowable subject matter. If the Examiner feels that there are any outstanding matters left to be resolved in the present application, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned in order that they may be dealt with.

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